



Holland Park Mt Gravatt Parish News



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(Safeguarding purposes only)

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

October 16th/17th 2021

Whoever aspires to greatness must serve the rest...

James and John are effectively calling 'shotgun' on the best seats at the table! When they ask to sit at the left and right hand of Jesus, they are asking Jesus to name them as his deputies. They're looking to secure for themselves positions of power and authority. The only problem is that they have a completely messed up idea of what it means for Jesus to enter into his glory. For several weeks now, we have been exploring a theme from the Gospel of Mark that follows a physical journey towards Jerusalem as well as a symbolic and theological journey towards what is going to occur in Jerusalem – Jesus' arrest, crucifixion and resurrection.

Throughout this journey, Jesus has been trying to prepare the disciples for what is to come and educate them about what it really means to be a disciple of his. Three times Jesus tells the disciples explicitly what lies ahead. Each time the disciples fail to grasp what Jesus tells them. Despite occasional glimpses of insight, the disciples still believe that Jesus is going to rise up as a political or military figure. In a complete dismissal of this sort of thinking, Jesus declares quite forcefully that leadership of this sort is not what he intends for himself, nor for those who follow him.

Leadership in the Jesus model is about being of service to others; it is not about prestige and acclamation. Many of the best leaders are those who do not have any title of leadership or authority. Their leadership and authority come from what they do and how they do it. They inspire others to follow their example. They don't demand it; they don't bully; they don't play power games. People simply want to follow their example.

Living the Gospel – Servant Leadership

What does it really mean to practise servant leadership? It means placing the needs of others before your own desires for prestige or authority. We've all known people who have been given a position of leadership and they really only wanted the job as recognition of their popularity; a thank you for previous work done; an opportunity to demonstrate their strength of will or cleverness with words. Servant leadership is about collaborating; it's about empowering people to do their best; it's about trusting others and about rolling up your sleeves and getting on with the job.

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BISHOP'S PASTORAL PARISH VISIT

Next weekend Bishop Ken Howell will be visiting the parish and will meet with members of the Parish Councils and Committees, visit parishioners and preside at masses. Parishioners are encouraged to attend one of the masses and stay afterwards for hospitality, where offered. This is a timetable of his visit:

Saturday October 23 rd	10:00am	Meet with Fr Joson
	10:45am	Meet with members of the Pastoral and Finance Councils and the Liturgy Committee; followed by lunch
Sunday, October 24 th	1:00pm	Visit the sick
	6:00pm	Mass at St Joachim's; followed by hospitality
	7:30am	Mass at St Joachim's
	9:00am	Mass at St Agnes'; followed by hospitality
	6:00pm	Mass at St Agnes' (to be confirmed)

Readings: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Times

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Hebrews 5:1-6

Mark 10:46-52

First Reading

Isaiah 53:10-11

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.
If he offers his life in atonement,
he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life
and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over
he shall see the light and be content.
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many,
taking their faults on himself.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love.
to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:4-16

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who
has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the
faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who
was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who
has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let
us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall
have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they
said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it
you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your
right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what
you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must
drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?'
They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink
you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you
shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are
not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been
allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James
and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that
among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great
men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No;
anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant,
and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For
the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to
give his life as a ransom for many.'

Parish Diary

Monday, October 18th

Mass 8:00am

St Joachim's

Wednesday, October 20th

Mass 6:00pm

St Agnes'

Thursday, October 21st

Mass 9:00am

St Agnes'

Friday, October 22nd

(Includes Anointing of the Sick)

Mass 9:00am

St Joachim's

Saturday, October 23rd

Reconciliation 5:30pm

St Joachim's

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, October 23rd

Mass 6:00pm

St Joachim's

Sunday, October 24th

Mass 7:30am

St Joachim's

Mass 9:00am

St Agnes'

Mass 6:00pm

St Agnes'



Prayer to St Joseph

You were chosen by God to be the foster
father of Jesus, the most pure spouse of
Mary, and the head of the Holy Family.
We ask your intercession...

Protect our Pope and all who labour for
souls amid the trials and tribulations of
this life, and grant that all peoples of the
world may follow Christ.

Protect us from every disease present in
our world.

Remove all fear from our hearts. Fill us
with confidence.

Dear St. Joseph, accept the offering I
make to you. Be my father, protector
and guide in the way of salvation.
Amen

Continuing on our faith journey during changed times; when our faith will sustain us through our challenges.

PARISH NEWS

WE REMEMBER

We remember Mui Nguyen and Richie Walsh. May they rest in the peace of Christ.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Weekday masses recommence this week.

COUNTERS

Chery's team.

MEALS ON WHEELS

St Joachim's team - Tuesday, September 21st.

MASS OF ANOINTING

The mass on Friday, October 22nd will include an Anointing of the Sick.

PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to give by envelopes, credit card or direct debit.

If you would like to contribute by internet banking our details are: BSB: 064 - 786; A/c No: 100013625; A/c Name: Holland Park Mt Gravatt Parish.

The Parish Giving app has been set up specifically for parishioners to be electronically connected to their parish for regular and one off giving. Download the app at: <https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/auth/login>

There is also the option of the Tap Machines. These are located at the main door to the churches. Simply tap your credit card and wait for the beep to make your donation. The tap is set at \$10 per tap for your donation to our Parish.

ALTAR SERVERS

Would you like to become an Altar Server
at St Joachim's or St Agnes?

Are you already an Altar Server in our parish?

There will be a training session at St Agnes' church
on Thursday 28 October from 5pm
for new servers
followed by a 'Pizza Party' for all servers
starting at 5.30pm.

If you have received your First Communion
and you are interested in becoming an Altar Server
or if you are currently serving as an Altar Server
and would like to attend the party,
please contact Rachel at
sacpr.hpmg@bne.catholic.net.au

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC VIEW ON VACCINATION?

You can learn more about Pope Francis's recent encouragement to all to get vaccinated with approved Covid-19 vaccines in the link below. Pope Francis referred to it as 'an act of love.' <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-08/pope-francis-appeal-covid-19-vaccines-act-of-love.html>

The Archdiocese of Brisbane supports COVID-19 vaccination except for those people with a valid medical exemption from their health professional.

We do recognise that some Catholics have concerns about the origins of the cell-line associated with the development of the AstraZeneca vaccine. If this is a concern for you then the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines provide two alternatives that avoid this issue.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SCHOOL CHAPLAIN VACANCIES - SCRIPTURE UNION AUSTRALIA

SUA, a Christian inter-denominational youth and children's organisation invites applications for the position of Chaplain at Mt Gravatt East State School, Mackenzie Special School, Dunwich State School and The Sycamore School. Applications may have the option of working across more than one school.

Applicants need to demonstrate their suitability to provide support and care to young people; training and experience in youth work or pastoral care is required as well as a Working with Children Check (Blue Card). For more information, contact: Alison Kingdom - Alison.kingdom@su.org.au. For further information, role description or to apply go to: <http://www.sugld.org.au/morehands>

PALMS AUSTRALIA

All professions and trades are called to assist this mission. Since 1961 Palms has prepared and supported Catholics for mission. It's our response as church to calls to help bring opportunity to the poor. Sharing your skills with local co-workers helps them to develop their community organisations. Improving self-reliance aids sustainable poverty reduction and removes dependence on foreign aid and influence. To be prepared for a 2022 placement visit our website palms.org.au, email palms@palms.org.au, call Christine - 02 9560 5333.

LET'S PRAY FOR RECONCILIATION

BETWEEN THE ANGLICAN AND ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

Thursday 4 November - 11am-12pm - Cathedral of St Stephen
Each year people from the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane, the Catholic Diocese of Toowoomba and the Anglican Diocese of Brisbane gather to pray with and for one another for a greater mutual understanding and reconciliation.

MASS FOR YOU AT HOME

Mass for You at Home is broadcast at 6:00am each Sunday on Channel 10.

HARVEST JOURNEYS - EXCITING NEW PILGRIMAGES 2022

An exciting new pilgrimage range of local [Catholic Roadtrips](#) exploring the spiritual graces and natural wonders of our amazing Holy Home-Land here in Australia and New Zealand has been launched. Australia is to be seen and experienced through the eyes of pilgrims who are nourished daily by holy communion and in the fellowship of like-hearted companions. Discover the many wonders of these great lands under the guidance of your Harvest Tour Director and dedicated Priest/Bishop/chaplain. Click on this link for more information - [Catholic Roadtrips](#) or call 1800 819 156

Strength for the Journey

The 2022 Holy Week & Easter Tasmanian Experience
Friday 8 April 2022 - Monday 18 April 2022

10 Nights Fully Guided
Experience

- Explore the riches of Holy Week during a retreat at Cradle Mountain
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The Holland Park Mt Gravatt Catholic Parish acknowledge the Jagera people, the Traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION AND PROTECTION POLICY

... for it is to such as thee that the kingdom of God belongs.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all.

This means that everyone in the church must ensure that the fundamental rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults are respected. This will be achieved through the development of respectful relationships and a commitment to safety embracing appropriate boundaries, behaviours and practices, in accordance with the Archdiocesan Code of Ethical Behaviour and adherence to legislative imperatives of the State. This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, Students on placement and Visitors to our sites.